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## Memorial stone honour for VC war hero

by Simon Banks

A WAR Hero from Woolwich, who was awarded the Victoria Cross, has been honoured with the second of four special Royal Borough tributes for servicemen and women.

The Mayor unveiled a commemorative stone to honour Sergeant Henry Edward Kenny in Maryon Park, Charlton, last Friday (September 25).

The council's deputy leader

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# The main attraction

## 'Royal Greenwich fastest growing tourist destination'

THE ROYAL borough is set for a massive boost to the local economy after the latest figures for tourism which show it's the fastest growing destination in the capital.

The borough welcomes over 18.5m

tourists a year and the visitor economy has hit an all-time high of £1.2billion. Tourism experts predict a further 28% growth increase by 2018.

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## Waiting too long to check out new Ikea on the Peninsula

I AM wondering why the council is taking so long to give the go ahead to IKEA. My wife is constantly asking me to find out so that we will not have to cross the river, a dreadful experience at any time of day, in order to visit this excellent store. I recently received a very pleasant message from them, and decided to support them, hopefully with your assistance. I can think of no valid reason why the company cannot be allowed to join the many other businesses that offer an excellent service to residents in the borough. Secondly, we often go to the excellent new Waitrose. If we arrive from Greenwich it's 'no right turn' into Waitrose, so we have to go straight on then turn into the fuel station in order to turn left. When we leave we often go to a restaurant in Greenwich, and of course it's 'no left turn' when we leave. Same solution. The alternative is go via Blackheath Hill, a lorry route. I can see no valid reason for these signs, save to punish people wishing to travel to or from

Greenwich village. I realise this is rather long winded, but hope that you can help.

Maurice and June Richards,  
 Shooter's Hill

● A council spokesperson said: "The council approved outline approval for an IKEA Store last year. IKEA are now developing their detailed proposals and we expect a reserved matter application to be submitted later this year. This application will deal with the detailed design of the store. The vehicular access arrangements to the development at Greenwich Reach that includes the Waitrose store were agreed as part of the planning consent. Certain turns into and out of the development are banned so as to discourage drivers from passing through Greenwich Town Centre which already suffers from too much through traffic. With a little extra journey planning those visitors to the development that need to use their cars can do so without too much inconvenience."

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CHRIS MANSFIELD: 'I thought this sunny shot of the Royal Arsenal Gardens would cheer us all up as we head into autumn'

## ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

October 1 - Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel, 6.30 pm, Committee Room 6

October 6 - Planning Board, 6.30pm, Rooms 4 & 5

Charlton and Carnbrook Local

Housing Panel, 7pm, Charlton House

October 7 - Licensing Sub-Committee A, 5pm, Committee Room 4

School forum, 6pm, Council Chamber

Greenwich Area Planning Committee, 6.30pm, Rooms 4 and 5

October 8 - Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel, 7pm, Committee Room 4

October 12 - Pension Fund Investment and Administration Panel, 10.30am, Committee Room 6

October 13 - Licensing Sub-Committee B, 6pm, Committee Room 4

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All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

We would advise you to check before you travel.



**TIBETAN** residents help to lead the celebrations marking a visit of the Dalai Lama to the O2 Arena.

The royal borough has the country's largest Tibetan community and community reps were joined by the Mayor Norman Adams for the event at Woolwich town Hall on September 18 – the day before the Dalai Lama was due to appear at the O2 as part of a nine-day tour.

**FLYING THE FLAG:** two three-year-olds enjoy the celebrations, inset, the Mayor meets Mr Ugyen Norbu, the first Tibetan resident in Greenwich while community reps and council leaders gather for a celebratory photo

During the event children sang traditional songs and Buddhist prayers were read out. Prominent Tibetan singer, Ngawang Lodup also performed at the event. To mark the visit of the holy figure of the Buddhist faith, the big screen in Woolwich was showed images from Tibet and of the Dalai Lama.

Tsering Passang, chairman of the Tibetan Community in Britain and organiser said: "We are so delighted and very fortunate to meet and hear His

Holiness for the second time this year in the UK. This year is an auspicious one as it marks His Holiness' 80th birthday."

Greenwich Mayor Cllr Norman Adams said: "We welcome His Holiness the Dalai Lama to the Royal Borough of Greenwich. His visit is particularly fitting as our borough is home to the UK's largest population of Tibetan residents who are contributing positively to our local area as well as sharing their wonderful culture with us."



## Victoria Cross hero Henry

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Clr John Fahy and representatives from the Woolwich Royal Artillery Barracks also attended, and members of Sergeant Kenny's family, including his great nephew Stephen Kenny, were among the guests.

Stephen Kenny told GT: "My family has always been proud of his story, although it is something we have always known about, it wasn't something that generation spoke about much. The experience of digging deeper into our family history has been great and brought us together as a family. This remembrance is special, it provides the community with some pride, and he would have liked that because he was a community person and this is a reminder of the bravery of a generation gone by."

As well as the memorial stones for VC heroes, the royal borough is also honouring the war dead by working to renovate and conserve local war memorials.

Greenwich Mayor, Cllr Norman Adams said: "We are rightly proud of our historic links with the armed services. For many people war memorials provide an opportunity for quiet reflection but they also act as a landmark of civic pride. That is why we are committed to ensuring



SMART SERVICEMAN: a young Henry Kenny

all our war memorials are renovated and conserved as a lasting tribute."

Deborah Wiles whose grandfather was Henry's brother, said: "It was a very dignified and wonderful ceremony and he has been treated as the hero that he was in an era when some heroes are forgotten. I hope the stone is a reminder of the sacrifices made by his generation so that we can live freely in this country today."

Martin Wiles attended with his wife Annette Wiles and sister Deborah. He told GT: "Our family has a rich military history, much like Woolwich, my father served during the Second World War too. It was a proud moment for us as a family and we hope he will never be forgotten."

Born in 1888, Henry Edward Kenny served as Private in the 1st Battalion, Loyal North Lancashire Regiment in 1915 and had been promoted to Sergeant by the end of the First World War. During the Battle of Loos, Henry went out six times to rescue injured men, each time under heavy fire, and was wounded in the process. He died peacefully on May 6 1979 in Surrey. His Victoria Cross medal is now in the Imperial War Museum.

## Sign up to learn more about fostering

We hold regular information events for people who are interested in finding out more about fostering.

At the events you will meet foster carers and social workers who are involved in fostering for the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

### Venue:

The Woolwich Centre,  
Wellington Street,  
Woolwich SE18 6HQ

### Date and time:

Saturday 3 October 2015  
10am for a 10:15am start to 12pm

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ROYAL borough of GREENWICH

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Visit Greenwich, a tourism company set up by the royal borough to grow the local tourism industry and raise the profile of Greenwich for the benefit of businesses, visitors and residents.

The company is responsible for promoting Greenwich and the surrounding area as a leading leisure and business destination in London. It welcomed its 100th business partner after just 18 months of operation.

In 12 months, Visit Greenwich has seen its commercial income grow by 50% to over £500,000 a year. It means that more than half a million pounds a year is being ploughed back into growing the local tourism industry.

Visit Greenwich chief executive Barrie Kelly said: "We have seen the centre of London shift eastwards since the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympics with major increases in growth and investment, highlighting the importance of the Greenwich Peninsula and the surrounding area. We see an exciting period of growth immediately ahead of us."

Cllr Miranda Williams, the royal borough's cabinet member for culture and creative industries said:

"Tourism is such an important part of our local economy and is a vital contributor to the borough overall. We've always been proud of being a world-recognised destination here in Royal Greenwich and in recent years we've seen our tourist industry and status as a leading visitor destination really surge forward."

has had a clear vision to grow the local tourism industry and it's very pleasing to see this is producing such positive results."

FLOCKING TO ROYAL GREENWICH: Visitors fill the town centres for recent events



We have a wealth of attractions and activities to offer here and have the infrastructure and new hotels to support the local tourism industry, which is benefitting residents and creating thousands of new jobs and new opportunities for local people. The Council



## Centres of attraction

THIS year saw the re-launch of the much-loved Eltham Palace with over 100,000 visitors forecast for the year, along with major plans to upgrade the Greenwich Market, scheduled for completion in March 2016. The O2 continues to go from strength to strength with plans confirmed for a luxury retail development opening in 2017.

In December, Greenwich welcomes the arrival of a new 5 star hotel, the InterContinental London The O2, bringing 452 new bedrooms

and creating more than 400 new jobs, including 25 apprenticeship opportunities in the area.

The MBNA Thames Clippers is investing £6.5million on two new high speed vessels operating across London providing additional capacity across the Thames river network. And

Greenwich will see major investment in 2017 when London's first cruise terminal comes to Enderby Wharf, where up to 55 cruise ships a year will be expected to dock at the new terminal. The new scheme will create up to 500 new jobs and includes 477 new homes, a skills academy, restaurants, cafes and bars.

Over in nearby Woolwich, the royal borough is leading on the creation of a cultural and heritage quarter at the Royal Arsenal, along with new retail space over 5 years; and Crossrail stations for Woolwich and Abbey Wood arriving in 2018.

Cllr Sizwe James, the borough's cabinet member for business, employment and skills, said: "These hugely significant developments taking place across the destination mean that visitors are keen to stay longer and spend more in the royal borough, and businesses are recognising the impressive potential of Greenwich and the surrounding area."

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### What graduates have said...

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I got a SMLA job before completing the course. I have waited almost 3 years to get a job, thank you" Dr T. (HM)

### Success Story..

16 graduates have secured placements for their HCPC registration training through PBTS Ltd in the year 2014/15.

44 graduates have secured employment in the year 2014/15



# High Street haven

**TRAfalgar Road** from Greenwich Park towards the Blackwall Tunnel is set to 'go green' thanks to a project being developed by East Greenwich Residents' Association and the council.

Called "Greening Trafalgar Road" the project is seeking to create a better environment along Trafalgar Road with some ideas such as installation of planters alongside the roadside barriers and a possible covered area for seating in an under-used alleyway. The project also wants to encourage community groups to make more use of street trading licences so they can have stalls on the streets.

The council has secured £18,000 from the London Mayor's 'Spacehive' fund for community-led High Street projects. The East Greenwich Residents Association has already raised £6,250 to meet the project's target, helped by 'crowdfunding'.

Shade Abdul, the association's planning spokesperson, said: "We have developed our project working with a company that is focused on solving air quality issues in cities with greening solutions. Improving our local high street and making it more inviting, will also help to improve our local economy."

"We are thankful for the council's support, and we are looking forward to working with them to agree which projects to pursue together to turn our

dream of a better and greener Trafalgar Road into a reality."

Cllr Danny Thorpe, the council's cabinet member for regeneration and transport, said: "The council were approached by the East Greenwich Residents Association for assistance in submitting the bid and I am delighted we have been successful. Now we have the funding committed I am looking forward to working with the residents' association to develop and implement the ideas. I am keen that this initiative ties in with existing council initiatives such as the HILL project where work on highway improvements is done by local unemployed young people as part of a training package."

**PATH OF PEACE:** before and after pics show how the project could green the area  
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## Open for reservations

RESIDENTS are invited to wine and dine the evening away on Friday – and help fund a community project.

Mycenae House is hosting the fun, community dinner called 'Mycenae Soup' Friday (October 2) from 7.30pm.

The event includes dinner and the bar will be open, as well as entertainment from local singer songwriter Rob Aldridge and local poet Rosie Johnston.

During the evening diners will be asked to vote for one of eight community projects following a series of short presentations as part of the event. They include small charities, entrepreneurs, arts and sports projects and individuals with interesting small start-up or extension project ideas they wish to fund.

**More information about the project and its inception can be found at [www.mycenaesoup.wordpress.com](http://www.mycenaesoup.wordpress.com)**

Mycenae House centre manager Mark Johnson-Brown said: "This promises to be a great night out and all the money raised can go directly to a local project. This is a great chance to put local people's ideas into practice for the benefit of the community."

Make your reservation now with a minimum donation of £7 per person. Companies may book a table of six for a minimum donation of £100.

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# Wheel keep you riding

by Dan Stephens

THE royal borough is doing everything possible to help residents get on their bikes this autumn with maintenance classes, guided rides and advice to help them make the most of cycling.

The council runs maintenance classes and guided bike rides regularly throughout the year to help encourage new and returning cyclists. Thirty guided bike rides have been held in the royal borough this year, taking place in Greenwich, Charlton, Thamesmead, Woolwich and Eltham. The rides usually involve around six or seven people but can accommodate up to 15 people.

The royal borough also works with the Met to reduce cycle theft through bike marking which helps in the identification of stolen bikes and assist owner recovery. Throughout the year the Police offer a free BikeRegister cycle marking service - which involves marking bikes with a unique reference number and semi-tamperproof sticker.

Earlier this month the council hosted the first Cycling Forum where residents could give feedback on current plans to improve facilities for cyclists.

The council also wants to hear from local people who have suggestions about how cycling can be improved in Royal

Greenwich. Requests for cycle parking, repair and installation of cycle signage, suggestions involving cycle paths and any other ideas are all welcome.

Cllr Danny Thorpe the cabinet member for regeneration and transport, said:

Saturday 3 October	11am to 1pm	Anstridge Hall, Eltham, SE9 2LL
Saturday 10 October	1pm to 3pm	Room 1, Mycenae House, 90 Mycenae Road, Blackheath, SE3 7SE
Wednesday 28 October	7pm to 9pm	Armada Centre, 21 McMillan Street, SE8 3EZ
Saturday 31 October	10am to 12pm	Charlton Athletic Community Trust, The Link, Belvedere Road, Thamesmead, SE2 9BS

**BIKE BUDDIES:** the council is doing all it can to make it easier to explore the borough on two wheels



  
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# Just the job

by Dan Stephens

AROUND a thousand jobhunters got to meet the bosses of 50 local firms when they clocked in for an autumn jobs fair last Friday.

Two hundred people came through the doors within the first hour of the event at the Valley, home of Charlton Athletic. They came to discuss potential opportunities with local employers, and took part in workshops to help them search for jobs and develop employment skills.

The event was organised jointly by the MP for Greenwich and Woolwich Matthew Pennycook and the council, and was attended by Cllr Sizwe James, the council's cabinet member for business, employment and skills.

Cllr James said: "Providing training and job opportunities is a key priority for the council and I am proud that we have helped over 18,500 residents into work through our GLLaB

service. We will continue to work with partners such as Job Centre Plus and MP Matthew Pennycook to build on this in the future."

Matthew Pennycook said: "As an MP you can't create jobs but you can bring employers together with local residents keen to take advantage of the opportunities provided. Lots of people I have spoken to are enthused about this event and the opportunities available and we have also had great feedback from the employers. It is something I hope to do every year – working with the council and Job Centre Plus to maximise opportunities for our local residents."

Kofi Ahem from Charlton told GT: "Not everyone gets the opportunity to have a choice of employment shown to them in this way. It's really good for the community and the borough. Young people will benefit particularly as in this day and age it isn't always that easy to find



**SEAL OF APPROVAL:** Cllr James and Matthew Pennycook meet local resident Barbara at a stall for InterContinental London – who will provide 400 jobs for local people when its new hotel on the Greenwich Peninsula opens next year.

employment."

Elina Homenko, also from Charlton added: "It's good to have training providers and employers all under one roof."

Barbara from Plumstead said: "I read about this event in Greenwich Time. I have been to the NHS and Lloyds stalls

and a few others and there is so much info about graduate courses and apprenticeships. I'm so excited and I hope they do more events like these in the future."

● Visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/gllab](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/gllab) for further information about GLLAB.

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MORE and more council tenants in the borough are choosing to pay their housing charges by Direct Debit and now there is the chance to win £1,000 worth of shopping vouchers! Look out for the advert on the big screen T.V. in Woolwich town centre. Direct Debit is a cheap and easy way to pay council housing charges, with six monthly instalment dates to choose from, on the 2nd, 7th, 14th, 22nd, 28th or the last day of the month. Direct Debit is simple to set up and is the only payment method that is protected by a guarantee.

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● To set up Direct Debit over the phone contact the council's Direct Debit team on 020 8921 3201 or complete the online form at: [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/housingpayments](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/housingpayments)

● See [www.directdebit.co.uk/nationalhousingrents](http://www.directdebit.co.uk/nationalhousingrents) for terms and conditions.

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Please call if you wish to find out more information 020 8856 8315  
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**Closing Date for applications: Friday 16th October 2015 at 3pm  
Interviews to be held: Thursday 22nd October 2015**

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# Carnival fun in the sun

by Dan Stephens

ALMOST 4,000 people turned out to enjoy the wonderful Woolwich Carnival last week (Sep 19). Visitors were treated to a sunny day for the colourful community parade, which saw around 500 school and community groups taking part.

The procession began at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, before marching through the streets of the town centre, ending in General Gordon Square. There were a range of stalls selling crafts and international food, whilst steel drums, dancers and singers entertained the crowds. The main stage in the square also played host to Unit 137, a collective of DJs and artists from the local area.

The event was organised by the Woolwich Community Carnival Committee with funding from Royal Borough Community Arts Fund to support a series of participatory workshops. There was additional support from Big Lottery Fund, The Monument Trust and Oxleas NHS Trust.



STREET PARTY: locals entertain shoppers and visitors throughout the town centre including Cllr John Fahy and Greenwich & Woolwich MP Matthew Pennycook, top left

## The Big London ENERGY SWITCH

A scheme to help Londoners get a better deal on their gas and electricity bills

Over 5000 Greenwich residents have registered for the Big London Energy Switch since the scheme began. The results from February 2015 were the best yet – with average savings in Greenwich of over £250 and winning tariffs better than anything available direct from suppliers or via price comparison services.

### How does the scheme work?

- ① The Big London Energy Switch is a collective switching scheme being run by the Royal Borough of Greenwich and a number of other councils in London
- ② By gathering together a large number of people who want to lower their gas and electricity bills the Big London Energy Switch, using a third party 'switching provider', can encourage energy companies to offer their lowest prices

Are you paying too much for your gas and electricity?

- ③ Once registration is closed, all the energy companies are invited to offer their best prices to everyone who registered
- ④ You will then receive details of exactly how much money you could potentially save by switching if you accept the offer
- ⑤ You can choose to accept the offer or not

Sign up online at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/biglondonenergyswitch](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/biglondonenergyswitch)  
or call 020 8921 5100 to find out about other ways to register

The deadline for registration is 12th October 2015



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# Switch and save

by Simon Banks

**SAVE** big and switch, says the Royal Borough of Greenwich which is backing a London-wide scheme to help residents get a better deal on their gas and electricity bills.

The Big London Energy Switch is a collective switching scheme, backed by 17 London boroughs. It encourages residents to sign up to a collective giving them greater bargaining power with energy companies who are more likely to offer their lowest prices for energy.

Residents still have time to sign up to the switch, with the next round of registration set to close on October 12. Once registration is closed all the energy companies are invited to offer their best prices to everyone who registered.

Residents will receive details of exactly how much money they could potentially save with an option to accept or decline the switch.

The 'Big London Energy Switch' has been championed by Royal Greenwich, which has seen one of the largest number



of sign ups of all London boroughs, with over 4400 residents having already registered.

Latest figures for Greenwich show householders made an average annual saving of £254.

Cllr Danny Thorpe, the royal borough's cabinet member for regeneration and transport, said: "We've always backed the Big London Energy Switch as it's such a great way to help our residents save money on their household bills. Encouraging sign ups is an important part of our anti-poverty work – household bills and fuel prices in particular are placing real pressures on most households so we will do whatever we can to help people save money."

"We're also reminding residents they can also make changes to their home and their lifestyles to save energy and lower bills – call the royal borough's energy helpline if you want some advice."

● **Find out more about the Big London Energy Switch at [www.biglondonenergyswitch.org.uk](http://www.biglondonenergyswitch.org.uk) or call the royal borough's energy helpline on 020 8921 5100 or visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/energyefficiency](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/energyefficiency)**

## Windows of opportunity



DESIGNING THEIR FUTURES: young people learn about the courses and facilities at Ravensbourne

TWO thousand students from 13 schools attended a recent Year 11 Progression Fair at Ravensbourne to see for themselves the wide range of options offered by the college. Based on the Greenwich Peninsula, Ravensbourne specialises in practically focused digital media and design courses from pre-degree, undergraduate and postgraduate to professional short course level. Visit [www.ravensbourne.ac.uk](http://www.ravensbourne.ac.uk) for more information.

## Don't miss out on gas safety check



VITAL CHECK:  
get a boiler  
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The council's gas safety team has worked tirelessly visiting a total of 22,000 properties in order to ensure residents have safe and reliable gas boilers in their homes.

Over 70% of residents had equipment serviced during the last six months, although due to the high demand of the service and some tenants not being present at home when the service called, some missed out. The council is appealing for any council tenants who missed out to contact the gas delivery team in order to schedule or re-book a free gas boiler service. Residents can also inquire about having a free CO detector installed in their home too.

The campaign was the fifth annual Gas Safety Week and helped raise awareness of the dangers of poorly maintained gas appliances, which cause gas leaks, fires, explosions and carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning. In the last year, at least 68,000 homes in the UK escaped deadly gas incidents by engineers switching off dangerous appliances. Nearly one in two of these incidents were caused because a gas appliance had not been regularly serviced and had been left in a poor state.

By law, only Gas Safe registered engineers can work on gas appliances. Twenty deaths and 1,000 gas-related injuries have been caused in the last three years and an estimated quarter of a million illegal gas jobs carried out every year.

● **Contact the gas delivery team to schedule or re-book a free boiler service on 0800 317 715**

## BISHOP JOHN ROBINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL THAMESMEAD, GREENWICH

**Midday meal supervisors required**  
**Salary £14343 + London Weighting £2490 FTE (pro rata)**  
**Contract type: 7.5 hours a week**  
**Contract term: 1 year in the first instance**

Do you enjoy playing and working with children outdoors? Do you care about children's nutrition and well-being? Are you looking for work which fits in with school holidays? If the answer is yes then you might like to consider applying for the role of midday supervisor to join a team of hardworking and dedicated staff who support our children during lunch time.

We are looking for some kind, nurturing and responsible individuals who have experience of young children who would support our youngest children with washing, eating, resting and playing over the lunch period.

Bishop John Robinson is a one-form entry Church of England primary school in Thamesmead, on the border of Greenwich and Bexley. Our children love learning and come from very supportive families who value education. The welcome and respect offered from our families and staff is second to none.

Application packs are available from Bishop John Robinson Primary School at the address below and are also available electronically from [k.lfletcher@bjr.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:k.lfletcher@bjr.greenwich.sch.uk). Please call 020 8310 9160 for more information and to book a visit.

**Dates: Deadline for applications 9th October**  
**Interviews: Wednesday 14th October**  
**Starting date: Monday 19th October**

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 Lille Christmas Market via Eurotunnel Saturday 21st November £44.00  
 Winchester Christmas Market Tuesday 24th November £22.50  
 Bury St Edmunds Christmas Market Friday 27th November £25.00  
 Brugge Christmas Market Saturday 28th November £44.00  
 Rochester Christmas Market Saturday 28th November £23.00  
 Ebdons Christmas Dinner at Lotte Barn Thursday 3rd December £41.00  
 Bath Christmas Market – Friday 4th December £27.00  
 Brugge Christmas Market Saturday 5th December £44.00  
 Leeds Castle Christmas Fair (Exc admission) Saturday 5th December £16.00  
 Blackbushe Market – Sunday 6th December £16.00  
 Winchester Christmas Shopping Tuesday 8th December £22.00  
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# Eltham in credit



ALREADY SIGNED UP: Clive Efford with Penny Nicholls from New Eltham and Alf Brooks from the Coldharbour Estate who explain how the credit union benefits them

by Dan Stephens

MP Clive Efford visited the new branch of Greenwich & Bexley Credit Union at the Eltham Centre last week (Sep 22) to meet staff and customers and see the facilities first-hand. The Eltham MP talked to staff, directors and volunteers, and was introduced to local members benefiting from the credit union's new convenient location in the heart of Eltham.

He also learned about credit union partnership projects with the council, as well as the outreach work designed to

encourage local membership.

Financial services from the credit union include affordable loans, secure savings and ethical finance offering a safe alternative to payday loans. Over the last 17 years it has made £25 million of loans, enabling its members to go on holiday, improve their homes, get married, buy school uniforms, pay off outstanding debts, and many other things.

In addition to opening the new branch in Eltham in May, the credit union also celebrated its 10,000th member earlier this year.

Clive Efford MP told GT: "I am delighted that the Greenwich & Bexley Credit Union has opened a new branch in the Eltham Centre. I have joined as

a member and encourage others to visit the branch and do the same as it will help it to expand in Eltham. More people need to know how credit unions work so they can save safely, borrow responsibly and avoid being exploited by payday loan companies."

Credit Union manager Kay Campbell said: "The success of our new branch office in the Eltham Centre has been overwhelming with hundreds of visits in just a few months. It has gained us very many new happy customers who are taking control of their money and recommending us to friends and family."

To join the credit union you must be aged 16 or over and live or work in the borough. Under 16s are welcome to join the credit union's young saver scheme.

## Ofsted: Deansfield is simply 'outstanding'



**DEANSFIELD Primary School in Rochester Way, Eltham, has been graded as 'outstanding' in every way following a two-day inspection by the schools' watchdog Ofsted.**

Inspectors gave it full marks for the quality of teaching, pupils' achievement and their behaviour, their safety, the school's leadership and management, and its

provision for early years.

In their report, the three inspectors agreed that the pupils were "great ambassadors for the school", adding "they are friendly, courteous and polite." They said the headteachers, governors and staff were passionate about Deansfield, and worked together extremely well. As a result, they said, the standards of teaching, behaviour and achievement were

outstanding.

The inspectors sat in on 22 lessons, met different groups of pupils, and took account of the views of 80 parents and around 300 pupils who were surveyed.

Cllr John Fahy, the council's cabinet member for children's services, said: "Congratulations Deansfield for such a great result. Hard work and commitment by the leadership team, governing body and all staff has shone through."



### Youth Worker post Superkidz Community Trust

Superkidz Community Trust is a Christian youth charity focused on deprived communities in the Royal Borough of Greenwich,

Part-time (20 hrs pw) post £13,000 p.a., focused on challenging council estates nr Eltham, working mtn. Mon.p.mn, Wed. pm (to 9.30 pm) & Fri. We have 5-11s, and 11+ clubs, detached work and mentoring, helping NEET young people and young offenders into jobs. Suitable qualifications, experience and willingness to train. Driver preferred. Salaries inclusive of London weighting.

Please email a CV to superkidzapplications@gmail.com asking for a Job Description Deadline: Monday 5th October 2015

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### Advocacy in Greenwich

We are a lively creative organisation providing a range of advocacy services for adults with learning disabilities and young people with disabilities. We are looking for an:

**Administrator (16 hours per week)  
Salary- £8,926 rising to £9,853 per year  
plus RBG pension contribution**

We are looking for someone with the necessary skills and experience to run an efficient and organised office.

You will need good communication, organisational, IT and data processing skills, and an adaptability to work with the Director and other staff within the organisation.

For an application pack contact [admin@advocacygreenwich.org.uk](mailto:admin@advocacygreenwich.org.uk).  
Closing date 5pm Friday 16th October 2015.

# Trust in us

CHARLTON Athletic Community Trust will continue to run youth services for the royal borough's young citizens for a further three years.

The Trust has been running services and activities for young people on behalf of the borough since 2012 and a decision to continue the partnership until 2019 was agreed earlier this month. It means CACT can carry on with developing and improving its programme for young people across the royal borough.

It currently runs a minimum of 60-70 sessions during the week and 20-30 throughout the holidays. Activities are arranged across eight themes: Careers and Employment, Digital Media, Sport and Health, Arts and Culture, Music and Performing Arts, Skills for Life, Volunteering and Discovering the Royal Borough.

The youth service also delivers nationally recognised programmes such as The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and is developing a young social enterprise programme.

Rising musician Autumn Sharif was a regular at the Woolwich Common Youth Hub where she made the most of its facilities to kick start her career in the music industry. She went on to open for rock band Lawson in front of 2,300 fans at



**MORE OF THE SAME:** the continuing partnership is marked by Charlton Athletic's recent game with Rotherham United, (left to right) Roger Godsiff, Cllr John Fahy, Dave Berry, Matt Horne and Jason Morgan MBE

the Indigo at the O2, before progressing to the finals of the television talent show

The Voice earlier this year.

She told GT: "I used to go every

Thursday and it's where I recorded my first cover. I put it on YouTube and that's how it started. The staff told me I could sing and to go for it. If I didn't have that encouragement, then I wouldn't have pursued my career."

Cllr John Fahy, the royal borough's cabinet member for children's services, said: "Young people deserve the best possible future, and the council is determined to provide all the support that we can, to enable them to achieve this."

"We remain committed to ensuring that young people have access to good quality youth services, and our successful partnership with Charlton Athletic Community Trust ensures that we can continue to do this for years to come."

Marc Leckie, director of youth and inclusion at the Trust told GT: "We are fully committed to further improving the service for youth in the area, providing a range of activities, opportunities and pathways for all involved. We are open to getting feedback from young people as we look at all elements to accommodate, deliver and develop a modern day service."

● For more information on the Royal Greenwich Youth Service and how you can get involved, visit [www.young-greenwich.org.uk](http://www.young-greenwich.org.uk)

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# Accept the challenge

**S**TOPTOBER, the biggest stop smoking challenge of its kind, is returning next month and residents who smoke are being encouraged to consider signing up for it now. The 28-day stop smoking challenge (starting October 1) is delivered by Public Health England and backed by the council, and helps smokers to quit for good.

Stoptober has enjoyed great success in the royal borough since it started in 2012. Over the past two years, it has engaged with thousands of people, and over 170 people have successfully quit smoking just from this campaign. Nationally, over 250,000 smokers across England and Wales were estimated to have stubbed out their cigarettes during last year's Stoptober.

Cllr Denise Scott-McDonald, the royal borough's cabinet member for community wellbeing and public health said: "Smoking is responsible for one in every five deaths in adults aged over 35 in England, and half of all long-term smokers will die prematurely due to a smoking-related disease. Giving up smoking increases your chances of living a longer and healthier life, even if you've smoked for 40 years.

"As anyone who's given up can tell you, the benefits to your feelings of wellbeing – as well as to your wallet – begin early and can last for the rest of your life. Of course giving up is a real challenge, but the aim of the Stoptober campaign is to remind people that you are not alone and there is support available."

Smoking increases the risk of stroke, heart disease and lung cancer. It also affects circulation and fertility, as well as speeding up the ageing process of your skin. Stopping smoking can make a drastic improvement to your lifestyle and health with both immediate and long-term benefits. Those who quit for more than 28 days will notice health, physical and financial benefits and an improved sense of taste and smell, as well as reducing their risk of heart and lung disease.

Dr Ellen Wright, local GP and chair of NHS Greenwich Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) told GT: "If you can stop smoking for 28 days, you are five times more likely to stay smoke free. If you smoke, giving up is probably the biggest single step you can take to improve your health and I'd encourage anyone who wants to give up smoking to sign up for Stoptober."



FROM October 1, new legislation will restrict smoking in vehicles with someone under 18. With less place to smoke, there's more motivation to quit. The royal borough's annual Stoptober campaign offers advice and help for residents who want to give up smoking.

Dan Stephens f



## The law is changing

This year's campaign coincides with a number of changes in the law, introduced by the government. From October 1 2015 it will be illegal:

- for retailers to sell electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) or e-liquids to someone under 18
- for adults to buy (or try to buy) tobacco products or e-cigarettes for someone under 18
- to smoke in private vehicles that are carrying someone under 18.

Secondhand smoke is dangerous for anyone, but children are especially vulnerable, because they breathe more rapidly and have less developed airways, lungs and immune systems. Over 80 per cent of cigarette smoke is invisible and opening windows does not remove its harmful effect. The law is changing to protect children and young people from such harm. Visit [www.greenwichstopsmoking.org.uk](http://www.greenwichstopsmoking.org.uk)

# challenge to quit

ober 1, government make it illegal to smoke in under 18 present. Now there's one more reason to quit. Luckily the Stoptober campaign is around the corner with wanting to wave goodbye to cigarettes.

finds out what's available



TIME TO QUIT: stop smoking advisers are available to give advice throughout the year



## Get help giving up

THE royal borough will once again be working with Charlton Athletic Community Trust to ensure that stop smoking advisors are out and about throughout the borough during October. Advisors will be giving out goody bags, which will have a quit kit, along with Smokefree Homes and Cars kits to passers-by interested in quitting.

Residents can get advice on stopping smoking throughout the year at one of the royal borough's drop in centres. Support on offer includes advice for pregnant women and new mums, stop smoking sessions for young people, 'Quit' sessions for smokers who are mobility impaired and information on workplace-based stop smoking campaigns.

Local drop in centres are based at the following locations:

- Tuesdays, 10am-5pm at Valley Central, SE7
- Wednesdays, 10am-5pm at the Eltham Centre, SE9
- Thursdays 12pm-7pm at Thamesmere Leisure Centre, SE28
- Thursdays 5pm-7pm at Valley Central, SE7
- Thursdays 10am-12pm, at Coldharbour Library, SE9
- Fridays 10am-3pm, at Clover Health Centre
- Saturdays 11am-3pm, at the Woolwich Centre Library, SE18

**● To sign up for Stoptober in the royal borough, and for more details about the support to help you quit, call 0800 587 5833 or text QUIT to 60060 or visit [www.greenwichstopsmoking.org.uk](http://www.greenwichstopsmoking.org.uk)**

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# SCENE

**CELEBRATIONS** to mark the independence of Botswana and a visit by the High Commissioner of Botswana are part of the events for Black History Month in the royal borough.

Charlton House is hosting a comprehensive programme of events starting on Friday October 2.

The programme has been organised by Global Fusion Music and Arts and supported by Charlton Triangle Homes and Charlton House. A concert featuring performances from visiting Botswana artist Masego Woki and the Kalahari Band, led by her husband Aubrei Woki, promises to be a lively event not to be missed, with some strong Southern African rhythms and beautiful melodies.

Masego will be performing songs from her latest album 'Gae Ke Ko Kae', translated as 'Where is Home?' which has been released on the GFMA record label.

Children can also get in on the action too with free African-themed workshops on Saturday October 3, from 2-5pm with dance, clay mask making, Batik fabric-making, face painting, drumming, singing and other crafts on offer.

In the evening, there'll be a screening of African films in the Grand Salon from 7.30pm, admission for a £3 donation.

GFMA has also been working with Greenwich Theatre to present 'The Women of Kampala', a production that brings together five well-known



**Celebrating Black History Month**

Ugandan female singers with a six-piece band for an uplifting rich East African rhythmic performance. The show ranges from Congolese dance music to deeply traditional Ugandan music and soothing Ugandan ballads at Greenwich Theatre on October 14.

GFMA project manager Louisa Le Marchand said: "They are a group of singers from the city of Kampala, living in England. They are also fantastic dancers and actresses in their own right.

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**Artists quick  
on the draw**

FIVE local artists have put pencil to paper for a showcase of etching in black and white. Their works are on display at West Greenwich Library for a free exhibition running until October 24.

The artists include former docker turned artist Terry Scales, Cristiana Angelini, Peter Tingey, Irene Butcher and Graham Smith. Their brief was to present drawings, etchings and relief reprints which explore figurative imagery in black and white and the result is a varied display of pencil work with something that will appeal to everyone.

The event is supported by the royal borough and Terry told GT: "Our desire through the act of drawing is to sharpen people's sense of observation. As five local artists we are most grateful to the London Borough of Greenwich for supporting our event."

During the event there's a chance to meet the artists and discuss their work with the second of two meet-and-greet sessions taking place on Friday October 9 at 2pm.

The display is open Mon 2-7pm, Tue 9am-5.30pm, Thu 9am-7pm, Fri 2-5.30pm Sat 9am-5.30pm.

To enter a listing email [greenwichtime@outlook.com](mailto:greenwichtime@outlook.com) or call 020 8921 5916  
Details of more events at  
[www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/whatson](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/whatson)

#### BLACKHEATH

Blackheath Halls, 23 Lee Rd – Laughing Boy Comedy Club, monthly, 8pm. Oct 22, tickets £10; Classical music concerts, Sundays Oct 4&25, 11am, £14/12; Children's theatre, Saturdays Oct 10&24, 3pm, £7; Free Monday lunch classical music, 1.10pm, Oct 5&19; Tea Dance, Oct 13, 2pm, £5. Call 020 8463 0100, visit [www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/blackheath-halls](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/blackheath-halls)

#### WEST GREENWICH

Five Artists in Black and White - drawings, etchings and prints by five local artists. West Greenwich Library, 146 Greenwich High Road, until October 24, Mon 2-7pm, Tue 9-5.30pm, Thu 9-7pm, Fri 2-5.30pm, Sat 9-5.30pm. Tel: 020 8858 4289.

#### EAST GREENWICH

Westcombe Woodlands open day, hosted by the Friends of Westcombe Woodlands, Sunday October 4, 10am until 4pm. Launch of new gate entrance at the far (western) end of the car park of Seren Park Gardens, by Greenwich and Woolwich

**Simon Banks learns  
how the royal  
borough will be...**



# Celebrating Black History

Milly and Essence are actually soap stars in Uganda so there'll be a lot of talent there."

As well as being part of the GFMA Black History Month events the concert will celebrate Ugandan Independence Day which is October 9. Performance starts at 7.30pm.

Greenwich Theatre marks Black History Month with a series of performances which explore the representation of black women. The theatre has invited

the all-female Shakespeare Company Smooth Faced Gentlemen to bring a black female Othello to Greenwich for the first time while Hannah and Hanna tells the story of a teenage girl from Kosovo struggling to befriend a teenager from Margate at the height of the Kosovar asylum-seeker crisis in 1999. The play is directed by Greenwich Theatre's artistic and executive director, James Haddrell, exploring what it means to be British in the 21st century.



SHOW WOMEN: the Women of Kampala take to the stage (main pic and above) Anita-Joy Uwajeh plays Othello

## Open book on black history at local libraries

ROYAL borough libraries are hosting special book displays and a range of events throughout the month including inspirational speakers, audio-visual presentations and a hands-on textiles workshop.

Highlights include:

- From Pasta to Pigfoot with Frances Mensah Williams Thursday 1 October, 7-8pm West Greenwich Library Free - bookings: 020 8858 4289

- 2000 Years of British Black Music with Kwaku, Thursday 8 October, 5.30-7pm Woolwich Library [www.BritishBlackMusic.com](http://www.BritishBlackMusic.com) Free – bookings: 020 8921 5750

- Melanin Monologues: a Black British perspective with Natreema Asafu Adjaye Monday 12 October, 6-7pm Blackheath Library Free - bookings: 020 8858 1131

- The Afghans with Nadeem Akbar - Thursday 15 October, 11am Plumstead Library Free - bookings: 020 8854 1728

- Design Africa - textiles workshop with Sylvia Emidi Monday 26 October, 2pm, Woolwich Library Free - bookings: 020 8921 5750. All events are free but booking is essential - please call or visit the hosting library to secure your place.

Full details at [www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk)

- September 29 to October 3, Greenwich Theatre - Hannah and Hanna, 8pm. Tickets £13.50, Concessions £11. [www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk](http://www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk)

- Friday October 2, Charlton House - Black History Month and Botswana Independence Day celebration concert, 7pm, tickets £6 and £5 concs from [www.wegottickets.com](http://www.wegottickets.com) or on the door.

- Saturday October 3, Charlton House, the Old Library – Free African-themed workshops for children, from 2-5pm.

- Saturday October 3, screening of African Cinema film in the Grand Salon, 7.30pm, £3 admission.

- Wednesday October 14, Greenwich Theatre - Global Fusion Music and Arts presents The Women of Kampala, 7.30pm, tickets £16 (Concs £13.50), (£15 & £12.50 ticket plus £1 booking fee). Email: [info@globalfusionarts.co.uk](mailto:info@globalfusionarts.co.uk)

- October 20-24, Greenwich Theatre – Othello, 8pm. Tickets £15, Concs £10. [www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk](http://www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk)

# WHAT'S ON

MP Matthew Pennycook at 10.30am. [www.westcombewoodlands.org](http://www.westcombewoodlands.org)

## ELTHAM

Age UK Bromley & Greenwich, 2-6 Sherard Road is celebrating the achievements of older people on Silver Sunday by showcasing its award-winning Men in Sheds project. The event takes place on Sunday October 4 between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm. View, buy or order products, join in a 'How To' session making a wooden bud vase. Home-made cakes and refreshments available – all welcome. Tel: Lois Cahill 020 8294 3012, e: [lcahill@ageukbandg.org.uk](mailto:lcahill@ageukbandg.org.uk)

## GREENWICH

Greenwich Theatre Black History Month events Hannah and Hanna until Saturday October 3; Othello, October 20-24. The Women Of Kampala, October 14. [www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk](http://www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk)

## GREENWICH

The Borough Hall Fun Palace 2015, a creative space to explore ideas and have fun. October 3, 11am -6.30pm, Greenwich Dance, The Borough Hall, Royal Hill. Free. For more info tel 020 8293 9741 or [www.greenwichdance.org.uk](http://www.greenwichdance.org.uk)

## BLACKHEATH

The Greenwich Morris Men are offering free morris dancing taster sessions every Thursday evening throughout October, 8-10pm, at Mycenae House, 90 Mycenae Road. [www.greenwichmorrismen.com](http://www.greenwichmorrismen.com)

## WOOLWICH

Community choir meets Wednesdays 6.30 – 8pm £2 weekly (no membership and no auditions), includes a drink, Public Hall, Wellington Street, (entrance via Town Hall). Call Wendy on 07812 477775, visit: [www.woolwichsingers.co.uk](http://www.woolwichsingers.co.uk)

## WOOLWICH DOCKYARD

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All works displayed were created during the final 33 years of the artist's life and depict local residents and/or the local area of Greenwich.

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# GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 461

## BIDDING FOR PROPERTIES

People on the Housing register are able to bid for all properties, regardless of their banding. You must be eligible for the size of property and bids will be considered in the following order:

**First Band A, followed by Band B both in priority date order.**

**Those in Band C will then be considered in registration date order.**

Please note that there will still be some properties with age restrictions so only people of this age group can apply for these.

### BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

## How do I apply?

### Get on the list

- 1 First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application online at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

### Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

### Pick out your ideal property

by looking in Greenwich Time or regularly checking the website:

[www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes)

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free at either The Eltham or Woolwich Centre or a local library.

### Apply in one of three ways

- Text bidding is now available and the number to use is 07786207913. For further information please see page 2, or
- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes)

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 7 October 2015 at midday**. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 4 October 2015**.

### 24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes (Choice Based Lettings) Telephone Bidding Line is available in:  
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au choix ») Ligne téléphonique de demande disponible en français en composant le :  
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Có sẵn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sản Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:  
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- 1 Open Plan Kitchen
- 2 Electric cooker
- 3 No pets
- 4 No parking
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L&amp;Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 204268  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 5th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No pets  
Max 1 child over 10 yrs  
**£183.04 pw**



L&amp;Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 204282  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 7th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
Max 1 child over 10yrs  
**£183.04 pw**



L&amp;Q Housing Trust

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2 Bed 7th Flr Flat  
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Ref Number: 204284  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
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Must be Employed  
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**Bessemer Place SE10**  
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1 Bed 6th Flr Flat  
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**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 6th Flr Flat  
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Rad C/H No pets No Pkg  
**£183.04 pw**



Ref Number: 204339  
**Bessemer Place SE10**  
2 Bed 8th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
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Ref Number: 204343  
**Bessemer Place SE10**  
1 Bed 7th Flr Flat  
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**Bessemer Place SE10**  
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**Bessemer Place SE10**  
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Lifted Entry phn  
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Ref Number: 204353  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 8th Flr Flat  
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2 Bed 8th Flr Flat  
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Ref Number: 204361  
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1 Bed 5th Flr Flat  
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**£160.39 pw**

### HOW TO BID FOR ADVERTISED PROPERTIES BY TEXT

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**CBL, the property reference number** and your **applicant number**.

The property reference will be on the advert and your applicant number is on the letter we sent to you when you registered for housing.

A successful bid will look like this:  
**CBL 179104 12191**

You will need to do a separate text for each property you wish to bid for and the text is charged at your mobile provider's standard rate. You will receive a text response to confirm your bid within 5 minutes.

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L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204367  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
1 Bed 6th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
Must be Employed  
**£160.39 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204369  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 6th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204371  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 6th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
Must be Employed  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204373  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
1 Bed 8th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£160.39 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204961  
**Bessemer Place SE10**  
3 Bed 2nd Flr Mais  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£191.42 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204965  
**Bessemer Place SE10**  
3 Bed 2nd Flr Mais  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£191.42 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204968  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204969  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204972  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pkg No Pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204264  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 7th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
No Pkg No pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204266  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 7th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
No Pkg No pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204356  
**Chandlers Ave SE10**  
2 Bed 8th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
No Pkg No Pets  
**£183.04 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust  
Ref Number: 204967  
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2 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
No Pkg No Pets  
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Hyde Housing Association  
Ref Number: 101867  
**Mervyn Court**  
**Tormount Rd SE18**  
1 Bed Grnd Flr Flat Gdn  
Entry phn Rad C/H No  
Pkg No Pets  
**£94.38 pw**



Ref Number: 191941  
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2 Bed Grnd Flr Flat Gdn  
Rad C/H  
**£110.67 pw**



Ref Number: 192214  
**Lamport Cl SE18**  
1 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£89.71 pw**



Ref Number: 202063  
**Throwley Cl SE2**  
2 Bed Hse Gdn  
Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£113.62 pw**



Ref Number: 203121  
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Bedsit Basement Flat  
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Ref Number: 203123  
**Peterstone Rd SE2**  
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**£133.94 pw**



Ref Number: 203362  
**Farnaby Rd SE9**  
3 Bed Parl Hse Gdn  
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3 Bed Parl Hse Gdn  
Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£140.15 pw**



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2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£112.90 pw**



Ref Number: 204576  
**Carnbrook Rd SE3**  
2 Bed Grnd Flr Flat  
Rad C/H  
Max 1 child over 10 yrs  
**£100.76 pw**



Ref Number: 204618  
**Peterstone Rd SE2**  
3 Bed Parl Hse Gdn  
Rad C/Hg  
**£133.94 pw**



Ref Number: 205184  
**Casterbridge Rd SE3**  
1 Bed 4th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£103.91 pw**



Ref Number: 205209  
**Ravens Way SE12**  
2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Gas Fire Only  
**£109.66 pw**



Ref Number: 205334  
**Churchbury Rd SE9**  
3 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£117.94 pw**



Ref Number: 205335  
**Sidcup Rd SE9**  
1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£100.97 pw**



Ref Number: 205336  
**Lansdowne Lane SE7**  
2 Bed Parl Hse Gdn  
Rad C/H  
**£138.68 pw**



Ref Number: 205348  
**Hardy Rd SE3**  
1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£117.80 pw**



Ref Number: 205368  
**Coltman Hse  
Welland St SE10**  
2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£119.66 pw**



Ref Number: 205388  
**Antelope Rd SE18**  
1 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£109.38 pw**



Ref Number: 205410  
**The Mound SE9**  
1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£100.46 pw**



Ref Number: 205419  
**Cuff Cres SE9**  
3 Bed Parl Hse Gdn  
Rad C/H  
**£141.89 pw**



Ref Number: 205422  
**Collins Hse  
Armitage Rd SE10**  
3 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£121.86 pw**



Ref Number: 205427  
**Elmdene Rd SE18**  
2 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H  
**£100.97 pw**



Ref Number: 205437  
**Commonwealth Way  
SE2**  
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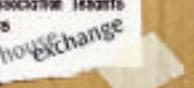
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## Family tennis for all

CHILDREN and adults with disabilities are being invited to enjoy tennis, suitable for all the family as the South London Special league serves up a weekly family tennis session.

As part of the 'Greenwich Play Tennis Club', ran by GLL's Charlton Lido and Lifestyle Club, families and friends with disabilities can take part in weekly sessions every Sunday at Hornfair Park

## Free fitness for 55s

OVER 55s are invited to join in free activities at the Waterfront Leisure Centre in celebration of International Older People's Day on Thursday (October 1).

It's the first of two free open days and over 55s can take part in the following activities for free on Thursday:

- Short mat bowls (9.30am-11.30am)
- Badminton (9.30am-11.30am)
- Short tennis (9.30am-11.30am)
- Swimming (10.25am-12.30pm)
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The club is affiliated to the Kent LTA and part of the Tennis Foundation 'Disability Tennis Network' in South East London and Kent with the aim to encourage more disabled people to play the sport.

All sessions are free and all equipment provided, advanced bookings are required to book your place.

- Contact [specialleague@aol.com](mailto:specialleague@aol.com) or call 020 8319 8111 or for more information visit [www.sl-sl.co.uk](http://www.sl-sl.co.uk)

for Silver Sunday - a national celebration of older people and their contribution to communities.

The Waterfront's general manager Sam Wright said: "We want to keep our community fit and active and events like this are a great way to do so. Throughout October we're giving all new or pay & play customers the first month half price off our Health and Fitness membership."

The Frontiers Club at the Waterfront has a range of weekly activities including table tennis, badminton, swimming and group exercise. Members can also attend a range of events and outings and quiz nights.

- For more information contact the centre on 020 8317 5010, pop in at Woolwich High St, London SE18 6DL or visit [www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk)

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have appeared at the Commonwealth Youth Games including Jessica Ennis-Hill and fellow Greenwich Starting Blocks athlete, Zoe Smith.

The young athlete from Abbey Wood is backed by Greenwich Starting Blocks, the royal borough charity which supports aspiring athletes. She admits the tournament did not go as well as planned after coming fourth in the discus, with a throw of 42.44m, and failing to qualify for the final eight in the shot put. But she sees it as invaluable experience that is sure to stand her in good stead for the future.

Divine said: "The experience has been great and I take it as a learning curve. I will remain positive and continue to work hard and build on these experiences to become a better and stronger athlete. It was an honour to represent my country and my sincere appreciation goes to England athletics for giving me this opportunity.

"To take part in such a global competition was a truly amazing experience which also provided the opportunity to make new friends within the England team as

well as with athletes from other countries. It was also great working with the very supportive England team managers."

The former St Ursula's school pupil is already targeting more opportunities for success as she competes in the European Athletics Champion Clubs Cup Juniors, representing Blackheath and Bromley in Istanbul, Turkey from September 18th. Not one to shy away from a challenge, Divine will be competing in the heavier senior weight of 4kg in the shot put event in Turkey, although she usually competes using the 3kg shot put.

The athlete will turn her focus to her education after the athletics season as she prepares to start studying for A-Levels in maths, economics, chemistry and biology.

"After competing in Turkey, I will be taking a short break as the season comes to an end. Hopefully I will return next season as a bigger and better athlete after learning so much from these events," she told GT.

- For more information about Greenwich Starting Blocks visit [www.greenwichstartingblocks.org](http://www.greenwichstartingblocks.org)

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## Divine's right

Learning curve for thrower



GOOD MEMORIES: Divine makes friends with the other England team members

TEENAGE athlete Divine Olapido has vowed to come back stronger than ever after a once in a lifetime experience competing in the Commonwealth Youth Games 2015, all the way in the Pacific Island nation of Samoa.

Divine, who is a few weeks away from her 17th birthday travelled for over 24 hours to Samoa to compete, in what was her second time representing England at the Commonwealth Youth in the shot put and discus disciplines. Some of England's highest profile sports stars

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